

REMARKS

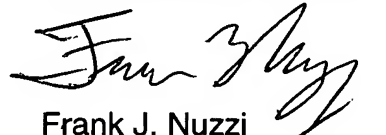
Reconsideration and allowance are respectfully requested. Claims 2, 5, 7, 8, 11, 16, 18 and 20 have been amended. Claims 1, 6, 14, 15 and 19 have been canceled. Claims 2-6, 7-13, 16-18 and 20 remain pending.

The Examiner objected to the drawings in that a feature of claim 15 was not shown in the drawings. Claim 15 has been canceled. Thus, the objection is moot.

The Examiner indicated that claims 2-4, 7, 11, 14, 16-17 would be allowable if rewritten in independent form. To place this application in condition for allowance expeditiously, claims 2, 7 and 16 have been rewritten in independent form including all the limitations of the base claim. In addition, claim 8 has been amended to include the allowable subject matter of claim 14. Thus, it is submitted that all pending claims are in condition for allowance.

All objections and rejections having been addressed, it is respectfully submitted that this application is in condition for allowance and a Notice to that effect is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Frank J. Nuzzi", with a stylized flourish at the end.

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